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# THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

*We're Building Community*

## FREMONT GIVING TREE

Each year at Christmastime, the Fremont Giving Tree helps Fremont residents in need to make the Holiday brighter for their families. This nonprofit event was started years ago by the Fremont PTA. The Giving Tree allows families in need to call and sign their children up to receive gifts that may otherwise not be there if it were not for the help of our community. Last year, the Fremont Giving Tree was successful in helping 50 children in Fremont.

In years past, we have provided gifts such as toys, clothing, winter jackets, hats & mittens, and gift certificates, to name a few. We are hoping that we can ask for your help again this year. If you have an interest, there are many ways to help by sponsoring a child or family, a monetary donation, or donating a gift on a child's wish list. There is never a gift or donation too small in the eyes of child on Christmas morning!

If you are a Fremont resident, and would like to sign your child/children up to benefit from the Giving Tree or you would like more information on how you can help, please contact Kathy at 895 1162. **If you are calling to sign your child/children up, we ask for you to kindly respond no later than Friday, Dec. 5th.**

All calls to the Fremont Giving Tree are completely confidential.

## THE FREMONT FOOD PANTRY

The Fremont Food Pantry would like to take this time to express our sincere thanks to the community for your continued support of our efforts. We understand that our community is facing hard economic times right now, and yet the support we have received has been overwhelming.

Special thanks to our continued supporters who drop off monetary donations as well as food items to us at the Town Hall, your silent support does not go unnoticed. Also thanks to the Ellis School, The Fremont Scouts, and the Bethany Church, your gracious time and donations have been greatly appreciated.

We must take a special moment to say "Thanks" to the People's United Methodist Church here in Fremont. They as a church community support the Fremont Food Pantry on a weekly basis, with food collections, and monetary donations. Their support of our Fremont residents in need has been a "God-send".

Our heartfelt thanks to all and we wish all here in Fremont, a happy and healthy Holiday Season!

## VETERAN'S DAY OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to the Veterans, families and friends who came out to honor our Veterans at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Veteran's Open House. Next year we would like to see even more. This is an important community event, and we need help to make it happen. Please contact Jeanne at the Selectmen's Office at 895-2226 x 11; or send an email to [FremontTownHall@comcast.net](mailto:FremontTownHall@comcast.net) to express an interest to help next year!

## PANTRY HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

The Fremont Food Pantry will be sponsoring Christmas Holiday Food Baskets for any Fremont resident in need of one. The Holiday Baskets come with all the trimmings to make a wonderful family Christmas dinner. If you are in need of receiving a Holiday Basket from the Fremont Food Pantry, please call Kathy at 895 1162 or Stephanie at 895 4454 no later than Tuesday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. All calls to the Fremont Food Pantry are confidential.

If you would like to help the Fremont Food Pantry provide these Christmas dinner baskets, the following is a list of items needed for every basket:

Ham/Turkey Rolls	Stuffing Mix
Fresh potatoes, carrots & squash	Pie or Cake
Canned Vegetables	Butter
Bag of Fresh fruit	Gravy
Apple Cider/ Eggnog	Pickles
Sliced pineapple/Cranberry Sauce	Gift Card to Hannaford

Thank you for your continued support.

## OFFICE CLOSURES

All Town Offices will be CLOSED on Thursday and Friday December 25 and 26 in observance of the Christmas holiday. Town Offices will also be CLOSED on Thursday January 1, 2009 in observance of New Year's Day.

Trash collection will be delayed one day during the Christmas and New Years weeks. Thursday collections will be on Friday and Friday collections will be on Saturday.

## OFFICE HOURS FOR HOLIDAY WEEKS

**Town Clerk:** Christmas week: Dec 22 8:30 am - noon, Dec 23 8:30 am - 8:00 pm, Dec 24 8:30 am to noon. New Year's week: Dec 29 8:30 am - noon, Dec 30 8:30 am - 8:00 pm, Dec 31 8:30 am - 2:00 pm, Jan 1 Closed, Jan 2 8:30 am - 12:00 noon

**Tax Collector:** Both weeks Tuesday evening Dec 23 and Dec 30 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

**Selectmen's Office:** Christmas week: Dec 22 8:00-noon, Dec 23 8:00-5:00, Dec 24 8:00-noon. New Year's week: Dec 29 8:00-noon, Dec 30 8:00-5:00, Dec 31 8:00-4:00, Jan 2 8:00-12:00. Selectmen meet Tuesday nights 12/23 and 12/30 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall, basement meeting room.

**Building Inspector:** Both weeks Monday and Tuesday 8:30 to 10:30 am and 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Closed Wednesday to Friday both weeks.

**Planning & Zoning:** Regular hours both weeks: Monday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:00 to 4:30 pm; Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

## HEALTH REMINDER

Winter is almost here. Dress for it. Cover that cough and that sneeze. Always remember to wash your hands, it is the single best thing you can do to prevent the spread of illness and the flu! Protect yourself and all those around you. There have been some cases of meningitis not too far away. Be aware of health risks and take care of yourself and your family.

Winter can be fun! ~Trudie Butler, Health Officer

## BOY SCOUT WREATH SALE

Troop 1 will be selling decorated wreaths at the Safety Complex. The scheduled dates are November 29 and 30; December 6 and 7; and December 13 and 14. Hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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A longer edition of the Town Newsletter is on the website, where articles are re-run from prior months; or additional information is added that will not fit in the print edition.